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- GDPR: A year later, what lessons should be learned?
- How is new technology transforming the legal profession?



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- The rules of evidence in arbitration proceedings

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

MONDAY, 17 JUNE

09:30 **Registration**10:00 **Welcome and Introductions****Glenn M. Zakaib**, *Borden Ladner Gervais LLP*, Toronto, ON, Canada**Christelle Coslin**, *Hogan Lovells International LLP*, Paris, France10:15 **Identifying and Overcoming Gender Stereotypes that May Affect Your Career****Presented by the Women in the Law Committee**

As women are increasingly embracing legal careers, there are still major inequalities compared with men in terms of salaries, management positions, and relationships with clients. How can gender stereotypes be tackled—even in the best-intentioned law firms and legal departments—to enhance women as equal members of the profession?

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When conduct in the workplace crosses the line from annoying and rude to illegal, how can you act, respond, react, and make yourself heard? This panel will discuss concrete steps to deflect bias, respond, and react to inappropriate conduct and help build a harassment-free workplace.

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Class actions and third-party funding are no longer exclusively U.S. phenomena. Developments in this area come fast. Companies are increasingly confronted with potential collective actions in various European jurisdictions, such as France, the Netherlands, Germany, Italy, Poland, and Spain. The European Commission actively encourages collective actions. In an interactive discussion, our panel will discuss with you some of the most important developments in this field.

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Modern means of communication present new challenges for companies when it comes to managing emerging issues and protecting their reputations. In today's digitally connected world, there are no longer truly local problems. The global reach of traditional and social media increases the risk that a seemingly containable issue will quickly become a cross-border legal or regulatory crisis and raises the pressure to respond to stakeholders. Leading lawyers and public relations consultants with international crisis communications experience will offer perspectives and best practices for strategically managing crises in this new era.

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16:15 Shareholder Activism and Litigation

Shareholder activism is no longer a U.S. phenomenon. It has landed in Europe and it is likely here to stay. While it used to be primarily relevant for the financial markets, it should now be regarded a priority by all (listed) companies.

MODERATOR | **Manon H.R.N.Y. Cordewener**,
Hogan Lovells International LLP, Amsterdam,
the Netherlands

Erwan Poisson, *Allen & Overy LLP*, Paris, France

17:15 Adjourn

18:30 Cocktail Reception at Hogan Lovells
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20:00 Group Networking Dinner (*more information to be
emailed at a later date*)

22:00 After the Group Networking Dinner, come
join old friends and new for fellowship.

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TUESDAY, 18 JUNE**09:00 IBA Rules Versus Prague Rules: The Advance
of the Civil Law Approach?**

The recently released Prague Rules for international arbitration aim to serve as an alternative to the well-established IBA Rules on the Taking of Evidence, especially for parties from civil law countries who increasingly criticize the length and costs of international arbitration proceedings. Is the inquisitorial approach of the Prague Rules an adequate instrument to address these concerns and will it prevail in international arbitration? Three top arbitration practitioners from different jurisdictions will discuss these issues, and because one panelist is a member of the working group of the Prague Rules, the panel also promises insights into the different motivations and decision-making processes involved in drafting the rules.

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10:00 GDPR: One Year After

This panel will provide attendees with an update on the status of EU Member State GDPR implementation laws, variations in laws implemented to date, and GDPR enforcement activities. Panelists also will address anticipated enforcement priorities of supervisory authorities moving forward. Finally, panelists will provide their insights into how different types of organizations covered by the GDPR—including organizations located only in the U.S. or in other countries outside of the EU—are prioritizing and addressing important and challenging GDPR compliance issues.

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11:30 How Technology Can Make You a Better Lawyer

Using videoconferencing and file sharing, the panelists will act out a scenario in which counsel are seeking instructions at a critical juncture in a case to demonstrate how technology can improve efficiency, enhance persuasion, decrease costs, and increase our value to clients.

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Oliver Kunz, LL.M., *Walder Wyss Ltd.*,
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12:30 Brexit: What Lies Ahead ?

In November 2018, UK Prime Minister May and the EU presented the draft agreement on the withdrawal of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the EU. To say that the draft agreement met with significant opposition is an understatement. The future of Brexit (and, indeed, Prime Minister May) at the time of writing is very much up in the air. By the time this panel takes place, it should be clear, or at least clearer, whether there will be a “Brexit”

and what that will mean for lawmakers and corporations throughout the EU. One thing *is* for sure: this panel composed of international experts with deep involvement in the various processes around the Brexit negotiations will provide their considered views on the current reality a few months after the official exit date.

MODERATOR | **Steven F. Rosenhek**, *Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP*, Toronto, ON, Canada

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